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Dear Sir:

This is a response to the outstanding Office Action dated April 25, 2003.

The Examiner has identified the following patentably distinct species of the claimed invention:

Group I Claims 1-23 drawn to a method of stimulating immune response;

Group II Claims 24-28, 36 & 37, drawn to a vaccine composition;

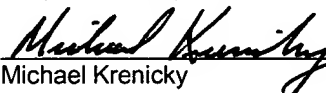
Group III Claim 29, drawn to a kit

Group IV Claim 30, drawn to a method of treating disease

Group V Claim 31, drawn to a method of production of an antibody;

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Group VI Claim 32 & Claim 35, drawn to a method of prolonging or up regulating an antigen presentation;

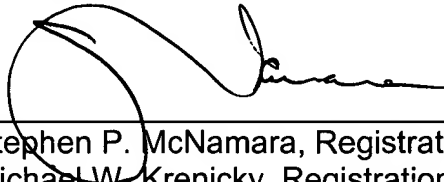
Group VII Claim 34, drawn to a method of targeting delivery of a vaccine.

Applicants note that the Examiner has excluded claim 33 from any group drawn to a vaccine composition.

Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group 1, claims 1-23, for prosecution in this case. Applicants believe that these claims are broadly applicable and that no further restriction is required. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have further questions.

Claims 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37 are reserved for filing in a future application.

Respectfully submitted,

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